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Office Memorandum

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TO: Connie
FROM: Ed
SUBJECT: ASDOGNA

1. ASDOGNA was recruited about 10 years ago in Munich, and I believe either [redacted] or both were involved. In any case, the point is that he was recruited and used only as an informant on the Ukrainian emigration, primarily ACDVETINA but individuals as well. I believe his orientation has been CE from the beginning. He was completely debriefed and reoriented--a security review, if you will--by [redacted] under [redacted] direction in 1958/3, and later run by [redacted] still as a CE informant. He has been promised resettlement in the US, largely because of the alleged danger to him if ACDVETINA ever found out he was reporting to the Americans while acting as senior advisor to their security group.

2. He went to Paris at our insistence, and at quite a bit of personal inconvenience.

3. It seems to me that your decision now is whether he is of long-term use to CIA or not. If he is not, let's cut him off now. If he is, let's make him a career agent and put him on a long-term basis and cut him off from UPSWING. Otherwise, you have no moral basis for cutting him off.

3. I have no theoretical objection to a security review, whatever that is. In fact, however, I think we will find that UPSWING knows he was a US agent and assumes he still is; that the RIB considers him a US agent; that UPSWING's main use of him is as an informant on the Uke emigration, particularly the Banderists; and that he does not tell UPSWING anything in particular, if at all, about his connection with us. On the other hand, he does tell us about his contacts with UPSWING; that's the only way we know. What do we gain by this? What do we lose by continued contact? That case officer we plan to use to contact him is less blown than he's

4. It seems to me much more is being made out of this case than need be. I would be happy to discuss this at any time, but I request you do not take drafts like this out of the division in the future until division coordination has been completed.

Ed: Seeh (dispatch) by EE & ML. Would like discuss who should undertake security review.

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Depends what a "security review" is. Remember, all this guy has ever been is an informant. Also, you can't insist that he break off all contact with UPSWING unless we assure his future.